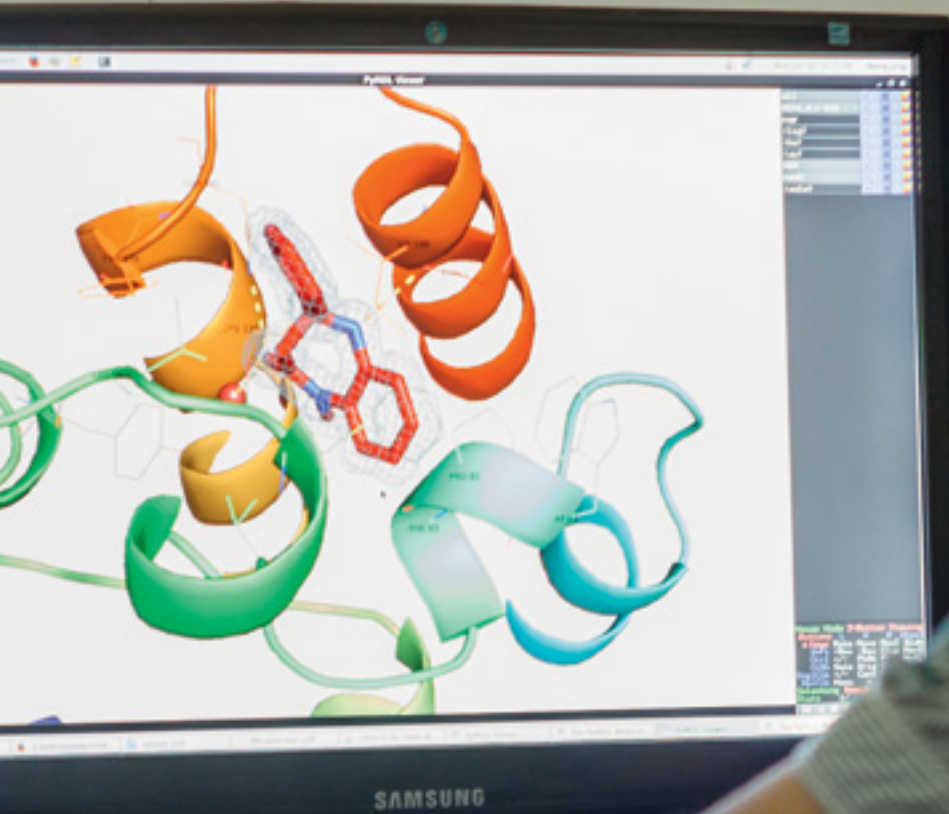


# SystemsX.ch

## Project Overview

2nd Generation Projects  
from 2012 onwards



# SystemsX.ch: Project categories

## Research, Technology and Development (RTD) Projects

... focus on quantitative biology, integrating a number of different scientific approaches including the most recent developments in theory and modeling. At least two partner institutions and several research groups representing complementary fields contribute to these large-scale projects.

SyBIT, SystemsX.ch's bioinformatics project, supports as a central service the initiative's RTD Project groups in coping with their flood of digital data.

**Project duration: 4 years**

**Funds\*: approximately CHF 150 million**

## Medical Research and Development (MRD) Projects

... are large-scale projects in which systems biology approaches are specifically applied to medically or clinically relevant topics. These projects involve a number of interdisciplinary research groups working in at least two different partner institutions.

**Project duration: 3 years**

**Funds\*: approximately CHF 18 million**

## Transfer Projects (TF)

... are collaborations between research groups working in the academic and private sectors (industry, SMEs, hospitals, etc.). The aim of these projects is to promote knowledge transfer between academia and private institutions and to strengthen applied research in systems biology.

**Project duration: 2 years, with optional one-year extension**

**Funds\*: approximately CHF 3 million**

## Transition Postdoc Fellowships (TPdF)

... are aimed at expanding young scientists' basic knowledge in systems biology. Having completed their doctorates, emerging researchers switch to a new area or discipline in order to implement innovative ideas at the interface between classically separate fields.

**Project duration: 2 years, with optional one-year extension**

**Funds\*: approximately CHF 10.5 million**

## Interdisciplinary PhD Projects (IPhD)

... serve the purpose of training and encouraging future systems biologists. The main focus of these PhD positions is on collaboration between two different disciplines relevant to systems biology. The young scientists are therefore jointly supervised by two advisors working in different fields.

**Project duration: 3 years, with optional one-year extension**

**Funds\*: approximately CHF 18 million**

## Special Opportunities Fund (SpecOpp)

... promotes projects which do not qualify for other types of funding, but which have the potential to contribute significantly to systems biology research in Switzerland. Thanks to this fund, SystemsX.ch can flexibly support new projects, as well as co-finance novel technologies required for existing projects.

**Funds\*: approximately CHF 1.6 million**

# Research, Technology and Development (RTD) Projects



**AgingX**  
Systems Genetics  
Approach to  
the Biology of Aging

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and Genetics  
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**Partners**  
EPFL, UniL

**Scientific fields**

- Biology of aging
- Genetic and phenotypic variation
- Systems genetics
- Regulatory genomics
- Metabolism

**Technologies**  
High-throughput sequencing,  
metabolomics, statistical genetics,  
network modeling

**Approved** 2013



**HostPathX**  
Modeling and Manipulating  
the Phagocyte-Mycobacteria  
Interface

**Principal investigator**  
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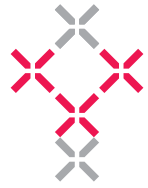
**Partners**  
UniGE, UZH, TU Darmstadt, SIB

**Scientific fields**

- Host-pathogen interactions
- Metabolism
- Bacterial virulence
- Innate immunity
- Engineering
- Anti-infection drugs

**Technologies**  
Infection monitoring, live cell  
microscopy, molecular genetics,  
high-throughput dual RNA-sequencing,  
bioinformatics, mathematics  
and modeling, small compound  
screening, model systems

**Approved** 2013



**MalarX**  
Systems Medicine  
of Malaria

**Principal investigator**  
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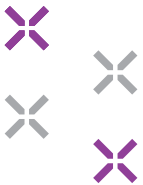
**Partners**  
EPFL, UniGE, UniBE

**Scientific fields**

- Engineering
- Medical microbiology
- Malaria
- Metabolomics
- Molecular parasitology
- Cell biology

**Technologies**  
Mathematics and modeling, live  
and intravital microscopy, 3D cell  
culture, LC-MS/MS

**Approved** 2013



**MERIC**  
Mechanisms of  
Evasive Resistance  
in Cancer

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**Partners**  
ETHZ, UniBas

**Scientific fields**

- Hepatocellular carcinoma
- Signaling pathways
- Liver cancer
- Genetic tumor
- Progression
- Genomics
- Phosphoproteomics

**Technologies**  
Mathematics and modeling

**Approved** 2013



**MicroScapesX**  
Design and Systems Biology  
of Functional Microbial  
Landscapes

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**Partners**  
UniL, EPFL, ETHZ, CHUV

**Scientific fields**

- Experimental microbiology
- Environmental sciences
- Medical microbiology
- Synthetic ecology
- Bioremediation
- Metabolomics

**Technologies**  
Experimental biology, mathema-  
tics and modeling, genomics

**Approved** 2013



**MorphogenetiX**  
Modeling the  
3-Dimensional Shaping  
of Tissue Systems

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**Partners**  
UZH, UniBas, MPI Cologne

**Scientific fields**

- Embryology
- Cell-to-cell variability
- Intestinal organoids
- Wing imaginal discs
- Embryonic dorsal closure
- Cell biology

**Technologies**  
Mathematics and modeling, 3D  
tissue morphogenesis, cell-to-cell  
variability, 3D live fluorescence  
imaging

**Approved** 2013



**SignalX**  
Model-Driven  
Experimental Design  
of TOR Signaling

**Principal investigator**  
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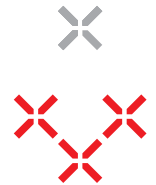
**Partners**  
ETHZ, UniGE

**Scientific fields**

- Engineering
- Cell signaling
- Proteomics
- Metabolomics

**Technologies**  
Mathematics and modeling,  
computational biochemistry

**Approved** 2013



**TargetInfectX**  
Multi-Pronged Perturbation  
of Pathogen Infection  
in Human Cells

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**Partners**  
UniBas, ETHZ, UZH

**Scientific fields**

- RNA interference
- miRNA
- Bacterial infection
- Signaling pathway reconstruction
- Anti-infectives
- Cell biology

**Technologies**  
Cell biology, computational  
biology, genomics, mathematics  
and modeling

**Approved** 2013



**TbX**  
Systems Biology of  
Drug-resistant Tuberculosis  
in the Field

**Principal investigator**  
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**Partners**  
UniBas, ETHZ

**Scientific fields**

- Genomic epidemiology
- Experimental microbiology
- Population genomics
- Functional genomics
- Computer sciences
- Mathematics and modeling

**Technologies**  
Transcriptomics, proteomics,  
lipidomics, metabolomics

**Approved** 2013



**AntibodyX**  
Systems Biology of  
Humoral Immunity

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ETHZ, UZH

**Scientific fields**

- Clinical immunology
- Clinical immunopathology
- Engineering
- Molecular biology

**Technologies**  
Genomics, mathematics and  
modeling, computational  
biochemistry

**Approved** 2012



**EpiPhysX**  
The Physics of  
Epithelia

**Principal investigator**  
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**Partners**  
UniGE, UZH

**Scientific fields**

- Engineering
- Developmental biology
- Embryology
- Zoology
- Biophysics
- Cellular biology

**Technologies**  
Computer sciences, mathematics  
and modeling

**Approved** 2012



**LipidX**  
Systems Biology of  
Biomembranes

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**Partners**  
EPFL, UZH, UniGE

**Scientific fields**

- Lipidomics
- Proteomics
- Cell signaling
- Metabolomics
- Cell biology
- Mathematical modeling

**Technologies**  
Computational biochemistry,  
mathematics and modeling

**Approved** 2012



**MecanX**  
Understanding Physics of  
Plant Growth

**Principal investigator**  
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**Partners**  
UZH, ETHZ, IBM Research,  
FemtoTools AG

**Scientific fields**

- Engineering
- Plant growth
- Microelectronics
- Biophysics
- Cell biology
- Computational biochemistry

**Technologies**  
Cellular force microscopy, micro-  
electronic mechanical systems  
(MEMS), multifrequency AFM,  
microbotics

**Approved** 2012



**NeuroStemX**  
Systems Biology of  
Forebrain Development

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**Partners**  
UniBas, ETHZ

**Scientific fields**

- Engineering
- Developmental biology
- Brain patterning
- Signaling

**Technologies**  
Single cell RNA-Seq, genomics,  
transgenics, mathematics and  
modeling, microfluidics

**Approved** 2012



**PhosphoNet PPM**  
Personalized-Precision  
Medicine

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**Partners**  
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**Scientific fields**

- Experimental cancer research
- Personalized medicine
- Biomarker
- Proteomics

**Technologies**  
Computer sciences, mathematics  
and modeling, imaging

**Approved** 2012



**PlantGrowth2**  
in a Changing  
Environment

**Principal investigator**  
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**Partners**  
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**Scientific fields**

- Botany
- Biophysics
- Agricultural and forestry  
sciences
- Genomics

**Technologies**  
Computer sciences, mathematics  
and modeling, imaging

**Approved** 2012



**StoNets**  
Controlling and Exploiting  
Stochasticity in Gene  
Regulatory Networks

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**Partners**  
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**Scientific fields**

- Gene expression
- Regulatory networks
- Circadian rhythms
- Cellular reprogramming
- miRNAs
- Single cell imaging

**Technologies**  
Single cell analysis, computer  
sciences, mathematics and  
modeling

**Approved** 2012



**SynaptiX**  
Systems Biology of  
Forgetting

**Principal investigator**  
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**Partners**  
UniFR, UniBE, University of Nevada

**Scientific fields**

- Engineering
- Cytology
- Synaptic plasticity
- Transcriptomics
- Neurogenetics
- Genomics
- Cell biology

**Technologies**  
Super resolution microscopy,  
mathematics and modeling

**Approved** 2012



**SysGenetiX**  
Cellular Systems Genetics  
in Humans

#### Principal investigator

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UniGE, EPFL, UniL, MIT

#### Scientific fields

- Cytology
- Genome variation
- Systems genetics
- Local regulatory networks
- Medicine
- Genomics
- Cell biology

#### Technologies

Computer sciences, mathematics  
and modeling

Approved 2012



**TubeX**  
Multiscale Biophysics of  
Microtubule Dynamics

#### Principal investigator

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#### Partners

ETHZ, PSI

#### Scientific fields

- Microtubule cytoskeleton
- Saccharomyces cerevisiae
- Cytoskeleton
- Proteomics
- Cell biology

#### Technologies

Molecular genetics, X-ray  
crystallography, mathematics and  
modeling, imaging

Approved 2012

# Transfer Projects (TF)

**Foes or friends? Reprogramming tumor-associated macrophages to fight cancer by targeted signaling network modulation**

#### Collaboration between Prof. Bernd Bodenmiller

University of Zurich  
and  
**F. Hoffmann – La Roche Ltd.**

#### Scientific fields, keywords

- Medicine
- Tumor associated Macrophages
- Single cell analysis
- Reprogramming
- Drug screening
- Signaling network analysis

Approved 2013

**In vivo endoscopic fluorescence imaging in the dopamine system of the healthy and diseased brain**

#### Collaboration between Prof. Fritjof Helmchen

University of Zurich  
and  
**F. Hoffmann – La Roche Ltd.**

#### Scientific fields, keywords

- Fluorescence imaging
- 2-Photon microscopy
- Calcium indicator
- Neocortex
- Striatum
- Dopamine

Approved 2012

**Mechanisms of cancer drug resistance**

#### Collaboration between Dr. Matthias Gstaiger

ETH Zurich  
and  
**Novartis Pharma AG**

#### Scientific fields, keywords

- Drug resistance
- Biomarker
- Personalized medicine
- Mass spectrometry
- Proteomics
- Cancer therapy
- PI3K signaling

Approved 2013

**EvolutionX – analyzing evolution of adaptation to a novel siderophore antibiotic in gram-negative bacteria by next generation sequencing**

#### Collaboration between Dr. Marc Creus

University of Basel  
and  
**Basilea Pharmaceutica International Ltd.**

#### Scientific fields, keywords

- Genomics
- Transcriptomics
- Laboratory evolution
- Next generation sequencing
- Antibiotics
- Antibiotic resistance

Approved 2012

**Multi-modal assessment of mutated predictors BRAF and DDR2 at lung carcinoma invasion fronts by topographic DNA extraction and micro-immunohistochemistry using the microfluidic probe**

#### Collaboration between Prof. Alex Soltermann

University Hospital Zurich  
and  
**IBM Research Laboratory Zurich**

#### Scientific fields, keywords

- Lung cancer
- Immunohistochemistry
- Microfluidic probe
- Oncogenic mutation
- Predictive biomarker

Approved 2012

**Statistical reverse engineering of the signaling network involved in cachexia**

#### Collaboration between Prof. Heinz Wolfgang Koepl

Technical University of Darmstadt  
**Prof. Ruedi Aebersold**  
ETH Zurich  
and  
**Novartis Pharma AG**

#### Scientific fields, keywords

- Mathematics
- Reverse engineering
- Molecular biology

Approved 2012

# Transition Postdoc Fellow- ships (TPdF)

**Adaptive noise cancellation in synthetic biomolecular circuits**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Christoph Zechner  
ETH Zurich

**Host research group**  
Prof. Mustafa Khammash  
ETH Zurich

Approved 2014

**Exploiting signaling dynamics to overcome robustness of oncogenic networks**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Rohitha SriRamaratnam  
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**Host research group**  
Prof. Matthias Wymann  
University of Basel

Approved 2014

**High-throughput super-resolution imaging reveals contextual effects in gene expression**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
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Approved 2014

**Mediation of specificity in mRNA translation by heterogeneous ribosomes**

**Principal investigator**  
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University of Basel

**Host research group**  
Prof. Mihaela Zavolan  
University of Basel

Approved 2014

**Membrane-based memory formation in bacteria: scaling up from single-cell behavior to the dynamics of populations**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Susan Schlegel  
ETH Zurich

**Host research group**  
Prof. Martin Ackermann  
ETH Zurich

Approved 2014

**Systems biology of scaling: biophysics of gradient expansion**

**Principal investigator**  
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University of Geneva

**Host research group**  
Prof. Marcos Gonzalez-Gaitan  
University of Geneva

Approved 2014

**The thermodynamic underpinnings of enzyme-enzyme interactions and substrate channeling**

**Principal investigator**  
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ETH Zurich

**Host research group**  
Prof. Uwe Sauer  
ETH Zurich

Approved 2014

**3D mass cytometry – a new technology for multi-parameter tissue imaging**

**Principal investigator**  
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University of Zurich

**Host research group**  
Prof. Bernd Bodenmiller  
University of Zurich

Approved 2013

**4-dimensional analysis of neural stem cell commitment in the developing telencephalon**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Marion Betzeau  
ETH Zurich

**Host research group**  
Prof. Dagmar Iber  
ETH Zurich

Approved 2013

**Applications of network reconstruction, graph theoretic analysis and qualitative modeling to virus-host interaction networks**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Maria Pamela Dobay  
SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics

**Host research group**  
Dr. Mauro Delorenzi  
SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics

Approved 2013

**Assessing the impact of cancer-associated mutations on the kinase interaction networks**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Marija Buljan  
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**Host research group**  
Prof. Ruedi Aebersold  
ETH Zurich

Approved 2013

**Computational fate prediction of embryonic stem cell subpopulations**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
Prof. Timm Schroeder  
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Approved 2013

**Expounding epigenetiX**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Dimitrios Spiliotopoulos  
University of Zurich

**Host research group**  
Prof. Amedeo Caffisch  
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Approved 2013

**Interplay between lipid composition and ER structure and function: a systems approach**

**Principal investigator**  
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EPF Lausanne

**Host research group**  
Prof. Gisou van der Goot  
EPF Lausanne

Approved 2013

**Mathematical modeling of population epigenetics**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Önder Kartal  
University of Zurich

**Host research group**  
Prof. Ueli Grossniklaus  
University of Zurich

Approved 2013

**Morphogenesis of monolayer epithelia: models and experiments**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
Dr. Christof Aegerter  
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Approved 2013

**Systems modeling of the metabolic network of a gut microbial community**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
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Approved 2013

**Systems-level study on the origin and variation of lag times in E. coli**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
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ETH Zurich

Approved 2013

**The influence of pH signaling on the regulation of brain energy metabolism**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
Prof. Bruno Weber  
University of Zurich

Approved 2013

**Understanding the genotype to phenotype transformation for cholesterol regulation using a network based approach**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
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Approved 2013

**Cortical tension and stiffness during asymmetric cell division**

**Principal investigator**  
Dr. Tri Thanh Pham  
University of Basel

**Host research group**  
Prof. Clemens Cabernard  
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Approved 2012

**Metabolic regulations of human T cell activation and differentiation**

**Principal investigator**  
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**Host research group**  
Prof. Antonio Lanzavecchia  
ETH Zurich

Approved 2012

**Robustness of C. elegans development at thermal limits**

**Principal investigator**  
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EPF Lausanne

**Host research group**  
Prof. Pierre Gönczy  
EPF Lausanne

Approved 2012

# Interdisciplinary PhD Projects (IPhD)

**A computational framework for systems pathology of prostate cancer**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Peter Wild**  
University Hospital Zurich  
**Dr. Maria Rodriguez Martinez**  
IBM Research Laboratory Zurich

**Approved 2014**

**Comprehensive analysis of transcription factor – promoter interaction in vitro and in vivo**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Sebastian Josef Maerkl**  
EPF Lausanne  
**Prof. David Shore**  
University of Geneva

**Approved 2014**

**Computational modeling of pluripotent stem cell transcription factor networks**

**PhD student**  
**Oliver Hilsenbeck**  
ETH Zurich

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Timm Schroeder**  
**Prof. Jörg Stelling**  
ETH Zurich

**Approved 2014**

**Establishment of in vivo verified molecular networks that control T cell function in chronic infection**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Dietmar Zehn**  
University Hospital of Lausanne  
**Dr. Mauro Delorenzi**  
SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics

**Approved 2014**

**Functional organization of the plant nucleus**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
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**Prof. Ueli Grossniklaus**  
University of Zurich  
**Dr. Peter Majer**  
Bitplane AG

**Approved 2014**

**Input-output relationships underlying transcriptional bursting at the genome-wide level**

**PhD student**  
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EPF Lausanne

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. David Suter**  
**Prof. Felix Naef**  
EPF Lausanne

**Approved 2014**

**Integrating genomic and physiological data to unravel the functioning of key hub nodes in mammalian regulatory networks: the case of the peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor  $\gamma$  co-activator 1 $\alpha$  (PGC-1 $\alpha$ )**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Christoph Handschin**  
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**Approved 2014**

**Metabolic network governing Toxoplasma gondii persistence and transmission**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
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**Prof. Vassily Hatzimanikatis**  
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**Prof. Adrian Hehl**  
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**Approved 2014**

**Micro2X: micropatterning of microbial communities – tailoring cooperation versus competition**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Julia Vorholt**  
**Dr. Tomaso Zambelli**  
ETH Zurich

**Approved 2014**

**Model based inference of age related changes in circadian oscillators**

**PhD student**  
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**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Daniel Wegmann**  
**Dr. Jürgen Ripperger**  
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**Approved 2014**

**Prediction error processing in neural networks of the mammalian brain**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Fritjof Helmchen**  
University of Zurich  
**Prof. Klaas Enno Stephan**  
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**Approved 2014**

**Quantification of growth-controlled gene transcription dynamics by live, single-cell imaging**

**PhD student**  
**Victoria Wosika**  
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**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Serge Pelet**  
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**Prof. David Shore**  
University of Geneva

**Approved 2014**

**Spectral deconvolution of SWATH data for peptide identification and deciphering HIV-1 antiviral response mechanisms**

**PhD student**  
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**Supervisors**  
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**Approved 2014**

**Systematic characterization of the cell biological and mechanical properties of asymmetrically dividing Drosophila neuroblasts**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
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**Approved 2014**

**Systems analysis of the impact of IFN-lambda signaling on vaccine response**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Jörg Stelling**  
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**Dr. Adrian Egli**  
University of Basel

**Approved 2014**

**Systems biology of vision: online identification of visual coding properties of retinal ganglion cells**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Andreas Hierlemann**  
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**Approved 2014**

**Towards in silico organogenesis: inferring and simulating regulatory network dynamics on growing embryonic 3D limb bud domains**

**PhD student**  
tba

**Supervisors**  
**Prof. Dagmar Iber**  
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**Approved 2014**

**A massively parallel space-time connected approach based on implicit active contour methods to track leukocytes observed by multiphoton intra vital and confocal microscopy**

**PhD student**  
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**Supervisors**  
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**Prof. Rolf Krause, Prof. Marcus Thelen, Prof. Michael Bronstein**  
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**Approved 2013**

**Cause and necessity of metabolic adaptation in human epidermis**

**PhD student**  
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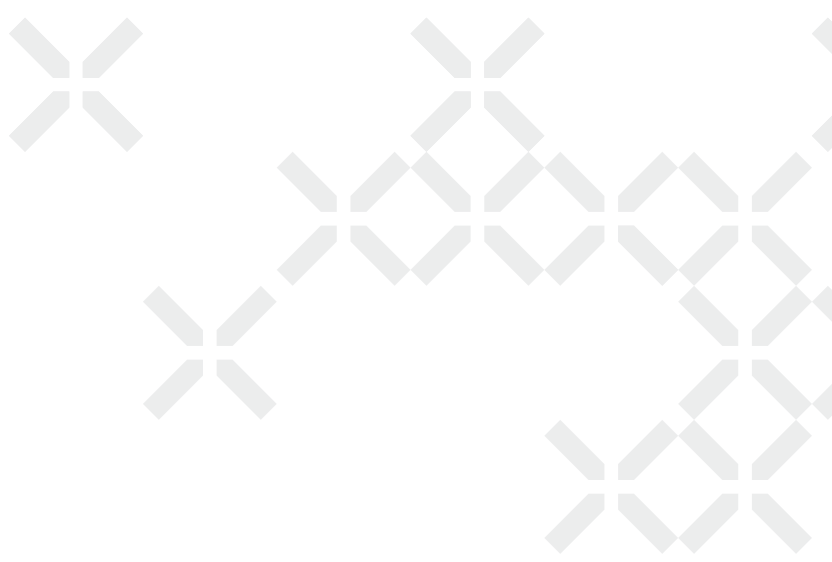
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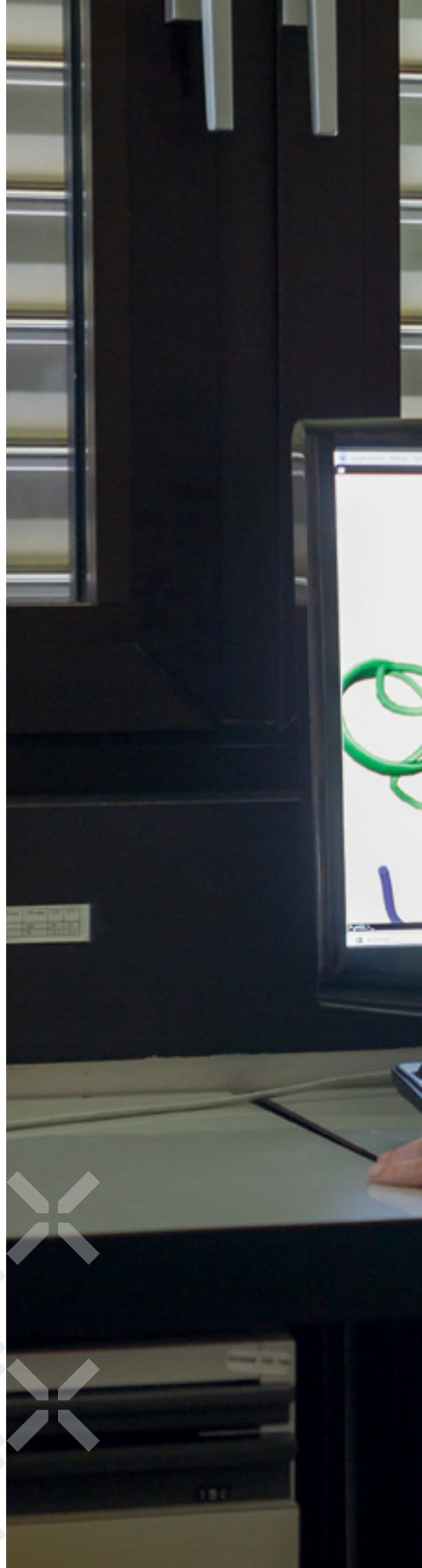
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